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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

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**MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS
AND DISTRICT COMMANDS**

SUBJECT: National Public Lands Day – An Invitation for all Commanders

1. I am pleased to announce that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has 68 Civil Works projects participating in this year's National Public Lands Day celebration. I encourage you to visit one or more of the National Public Lands Day site locations within your area of responsibility on 28 September 2002.
2. National Public Lands Day (NPLD) is a unique public-private partnership involving the Corps and other Federal agencies, working closely with business partners and non-profit organizations. The purpose of the one-day annual event is to "showcase the Nation's public lands and the importance of protecting the natural resources through responsible use and volunteerism." Thousands of volunteers will donate their talents by building trails, planting trees, restoring facilities or other projects designed to protect our natural resources. The National Environmental Education and Training Foundation (NEETF) manages, and generates financial support for the program. In 2001, almost 60,000 volunteers contributed \$8 million of improvements at 375 public sites across the country.
3. The Corps has become a major player in National Public Lands Day. During the last seven years, the Corps has attracted over 30 percent of all NPLD volunteers. Our participation has increased from 10 projects in 1996 to 68 projects this year. Our managers have recognized the value that National Public Lands Day contributes in supporting the Natural Resources Management and Recreation missions at our Civil Works projects.
4. Enclosure 1 is a list of the Corps of Engineers projects that are participating in this year's NPLD celebration. Also enclosed is an information flyer prepared by NEETF (Enclosure 2). NEETF is also contacting congressional members and encouraging their participation at NPLD sites within their congressional districts.
5. I recommend that you support your project offices by attending a National Public Lands Day event on 28 September 2002.

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ROBERT B. FLOWERS
Lieutenant General, USA
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NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY 2002
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Project NPLD Locations
(30 July 2002 edition)

Great Lakes and Ohio River Division

Brookville Lake
William M. Harsha Lake
C. J. Brown Dam and Reservoir
Buckhorn Lake
Cheatham Lake
Cordell Hull Lake
Dale Hollow Lake
Old Hickory Lake
Lake Cumberland
Martins Fork Lake
Stonewall Jackson Lake
East Branch Dam/Clarion River Lake
Barren River Lake

Mississippi Valley Division

Rivers Project
Rend Lake
Mark Twain Lake Project
Mississippi River Project
Coralville Lake
DeGray Lake
Grenada Lake Project

North Atlantic Division

Tioga, Hammond and Cowanesque Lakes
Buffumville Lake and Hodges Village Lake
Franklin Falls Dam

Northwestern Division

Chief Joseph Dam and Rufus Woods Lake
Oahe Project
Bonneville Lock and Dam
Lewis and Clark Lake
Stockton Lake
Pipestem Dam and Lake Project

South Atlantic Division

Black Warrior & Tombigbee Lakes
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Okatibbee Lake
Allatoona Lake
Carters Lake
West Point Project
John H. Kerr Dam and Reservoir
Hartwell Lake
Richard B. Russell Project
J. Strom Thurmond Lake

South Pacific Division

Lake Sonoma
Bay Model Visitor Center
Cochiti Lake
Conchas Lake
Englebright Lake
New Hogan Lake
Success Lake
Stanislaus River Parks
Eastman Lake
Black Butte Lake
Lake Mendocino

Southwestern Division

Canyon Lake
Lewisville Lake
Lavon Lake
Sam Rayburn Reservoir
Stillhouse Hollow Lake
Bardwell Lake
Granger Lake
Someville Lake
Wallisville Lake Project
Bull Shoals and Norfolk Lakes,
Mountain Home Project
Gillham Lake
Nimrod Lake
Russellville Project
Canton Lake
Oologah Lake
Eufaula Lake
Waurika Project



NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY - September 28, 2002

The last Saturday in September, dedicated as National Public Lands Day 2002, provides an opportunity for volunteers to roll up their sleeves and build sweat-equity in America's backyard—our public lands. This annual event:

- **Educates** Americans about critical environmental and natural resources issues and the need for shared stewardship of these valued, irreplaceable lands;
- **Builds partnerships** between the public sector and the local community based upon mutual interests in the enhancement, improvement and restoration of America's public lands;
- **Improves public lands** for outdoor recreation with volunteers assisting land managers in hands-on work.

Private citizens, land managers and local communities who participate in National Public Lands Day build upon the magnificent and lasting legacy of the Civilian Conservation Corps to improve publicly held lands for greater enjoyment and enrichment of all Americans. Younger generations who volunteer on public lands are keeping the conservation promise of the CCC (1933-1942), the "tree army" that gave us a rich heritage of land stewardship.

Volunteers build trails and bridges and transform many sites into universally accessible areas. They renew buildings, improve wildlife habitat, plant stream banks, restore shorelines and complete other projects that would not be undertaken without the infusion of volunteers that National Public Lands Day provides.

The National Environmental Education & Training Foundation, coordinator of the event, invites public and private partners to join in this day of caring for our lands. In 2001, nearly 60,000 volunteers and community partners contributed almost \$8 million of improvements to 375 public land sites - federal, state, city and county lands - in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. (over)

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The National Environmental Education & Training Foundation

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Investments in National Public Lands Day:

- Partnership created between public and private sectors to benefit shared natural resources;
- Involvement of elected and high-ranking officials at local, district, state and national levels;
- Real improvements to public lands Americans visit for outdoor recreation, relaxation and escape from urban pressures;
- Sponsoring partners show support for shared stewardship and environmental education and provide program funding and in-kind donations.

The National Environmental Education & Training Foundation's Role in National Public Lands Day:

The National Environmental Education & Training Foundation (NEETF), chartered by Congress in 1990, is recognized as a national leader in bringing objective and scientifically sound environmental education to America's business leaders, public officials, adult educators and children. As coordinator for **National Public Lands Day**, NEETF works with land managers to promote and support the event. In pursuing its educational objectives, the Foundation assists sites in developing an educational component as part of the workday activities.

- Works with land agencies to select sites;
- Assists sites with planning, promotion and environmental education materials; (Provides site managers with a manual/checklist, posters, brochures, media kit and news releases);
- Posts information for site managers and volunteers on website, www.npld.com;
- Develops resources from public and private organizations for program implementation.

Here's how to participate in National Public Lands Day:

- Select a site for a volunteer workday;
- Seek community participation;
- Plan the volunteer workday;
- Promote the event in the community and in schools;
- Get ready for the day, outlining tasks and identifying crew leaders;
- Have a successful National Public Lands Day with volunteers doing needed work and learning about public lands.

Contact: Patti Pride, NEETF, 1707 H Street, NW, Suite 900, Washington, DC 20006. Tel. (202) 261-6474 or pride@neetf.org or visit

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